

SPRING OFFERINGS AT ALL THEATERS

New James Forbes Comedy
Coming to the National
Theater.

FARCE IS BOOKED FOR THE BELASCO

David Belasco Sponsor for Ditrch-
stein Play—Magician at
Columbia.

The Weather Bureau reports indicate that the temperature for the coming week will not be favorable for heavy theatrical diet, and the kindly managers have provided the lightest, if not the jidiest offerings, they could find. James Forbes, of "Chorus Lady" fame, and who also wrote "The Traveling Salesman," scarcely less successful, has turned out another semi-rural production in the shape of "The Commuters." The suburban lines are expecting a heavy business during the coming week.

David Belasco has jumped from the sublime to what is said to be supremely ridiculous, in "Is Matrimony a Failure?" and if the wizard's name were not enough to insure a pretentious offering, that of Leo Ditrchstein would add to its prestige.

Thurston, hailed as successor to Kellar, will unfold 100 "marvelous mysteries" to Columbia audiences.

NEW NATIONAL—"The Commuters."
"The Commuters" will be the offering at the National Theater tomorrow evening.

In "The Commuters" James Forbes is said to have fully kept pace with the record set in former popular productions. The new play is under the management of Henry B. Harris and was staged by Mr. Forbes.

BELASCO—"Is Matrimony a Failure?"

Fresh from an all-season triumph at the Belasco Theater, New York, "Is Matrimony a Failure," will begin an engagement at the Belasco Theater tomorrow night.

This play comes to town heralded as one of the comedy successes of the year.

The cast and production to be seen here are identically the same as in New York.

COLUMBIA—Thurston, "The Magician."

"Thurston," the "great magician," will be the Columbia attraction this week.

Thurston's entertainment is said to be an elaborate one, interesting and instructive.

During his engagement in this city he will introduce the renowned "Indian rope trick," and "The Lady and the Lion."

CHASE'S—Polite Vaudeville.

Edwin Stevens, come down from grave to gay, with Tina Marshall in a cooing, girlish role, with somewhat of a company, will top the Chase's bill this week in Mr. Stevens' own musical comedy "Guards."

Second in the course will be John Hyams and Lella McIntyre in "The Quakeress."

Mabelle Carolyn Church, Edwards, Murray and Tierney, the Woods and Kinley, are the other attractions. The vignette will show "Bear Hunting in the Rockies."

ACADEMY—"Pierre of the Plains."

"Pierre of the Plains," which comes to the Academy this week, represents the first practical attempt to dramatize doings of the Canadian border. The management promises one of the best offerings of the season.

CASINO—Continuous Vaudeville.

The management of the Casino announces for this week a strong bill headed by Spellman's Bears, an unusual attraction and exhibition of animal intelligence. Another feature is Princess Chiquilla, assisted by Major Ed Newell, in a high-class singing and juggling act.

Miss Capretta and the Chieftain Company, the Powers Brothers, DeFace Brothers, the Georgalas and company, Kerry and Whitford, and George Brown and his Acrobatic Dogs, also are on the bill.

The usual motion picture plays will be shown.

LYCEUM—"The Kidder."

"The Kidder," one of the latest two-act musical comedies is scheduled for the New Lyceum theatre, beginning with tomorrow's matinee.

There are said to be fifteen new song hits.

GAYETY—"The Cracker Jacks."

Job Manchester's burlesque and extravaganza company, "The Cracker Jacks," will be the attraction at the Gayety Theater this week. Heading the feminine contingent this season is Ruby Leon. She is assisted by Lillian Vedder and the French Quaker Maidens.

Among the comedians are Billy Hart and Frank Harcourt.

Some of the specialty acts are the Great Piroscoffis Troupe, Pealson, Gold-fer and Lee, a trio of singers and dancers, and La Belle Marie, dancer.

CASINO—Sunday Concerts.

At the Casino Sunday concert today the Imperial Comedy Trio, direct from the American Music Hall of New York, in up-to-date and catchy songs; Williams and Weston, entertainers of the highest class; Wells G. DeVeaux, instrumentalist, and others will appear and motion picture plays will conclude the bill.

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SPECIAL NIGHTS AT THE MIDWAY

Special nights are planned for every evening during this week at the Midway, Fourteenth and Park road. On two nights special prizes in gold will be given for costumes at two unique costume parties.

The champion cake walkers of Baltimore will appear at the Midway tomorrow evening.

Prizes in gold will be given Tuesday evening for the person who comes in the best tacky costume. This will be a distinct novelty and three substantial prizes are to be offered.

Another one of the Midway confetti carnivals is planned for Wednesday evening, and a masked ball will be held Friday night, while Saturday's fun will be in the nature of a "flower night."

TO GIVE "CINDERELLA."

The beautiful fairy play, "Cinderella," under the direction of Miss Hawke, will be given at Belasco Theater Wednesday evening, May 11.

The production was given the past winter with great success and by request is being repeated. New scenery and costumes are to be added and many new songs and dances will be given, one of the novelties being the "Spring time" ballet, with Elizabeth Forney, premiere danseuse.

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"The Kidder"

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ABORNS TO OPEN SUMMER SEASON

Columbia Players Will Also
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mentary Engagement.

The Aborn Opera Company will open its limited season at the New National Theater next week with Victor Herbert's famous "Mile Modiste," which served Fritz Scheff as a starring vehicle.

An excellent cast is promised.

COLUMBIA—"Brewster's Millions."

"Brewster's Millions" will open the season of the Columbia Players a week from tomorrow night.

It will be produced with all of the original effects, and interpreted by a company that is said to be an even better one than the company which Messrs. Metzger and Berger offered Washington last season.

CHASE'S—Polite Vaudeville.

The principal stellar novelty at Chase's next week will be the former grand opera star, Homer Lind and company in August Weinberg's musical romance, entitled "The Opera Singer."

The supplementary attractions will be Edward F. Reynard and company, Jack Hazard, the Five Columbians, Charles Montell and company, Ralph Smalley, and Monz Chassino.

"The Industries of Southern California" will be pictured by the American Vitagraph.

ACADEMY—"East Lynne."

"East Lynne" will be given at the Academy commencing Monday, May 2.

The company has been selected with a view to the peculiar fitness of each member for the role assigned.

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